

STANDARD WILDLIFE AREA HUNTING REGULATIONS

Persons may hunt on the wildlife areas only as directed by the following rules which have been established by Wildlife Regulation 3908 of the Division of Fish and Wildlife pursuant to Section 103, 7 Delaware Code. Violators of wildlife area regulations may be subject to fines and/or revocation of their hunting privilege on state wildlife areas for up to one year. You must also refer to the individual wildlife area maps for specific information. The following are standard regulations that pertain to all State wildlife areas:

1. **Firearms.** No firearms are permitted on state wildlife areas from March 1 through August 31 of each year except during legal hunting seasons or as authorized in writing by the Division of Fish and Wildlife. Target shooting is prohibited. Call Ommelanden Shooting Range for year-round target shooting information at (302) 323-5333.
2. **Camping, Fires & Swimming.** No unauthorized camping, fires or swimming is permitted on state wildlife areas.
3. **Dumping.** Dumping is prohibited. Violators will be prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law.
4. **Trespass.** Please be certain to remain within the posted boundaries. No person may trespass into areas closed by the Division.
5. **Deer Stands.** No permanent non State built stands are allowed and all parts of a portable stand must be removed at the end of each hunting day. No screw-in tree steps or stands may be used. Only one firearm is permitted per deer stand.
6. **Horseback Riding.** Horses may be used only on designated trails and activities approved in writing by the Division.
7. **Vehicles.** No off-highway vehicles either registered or unregistered are permitted on state wildlife areas. Motorized vehicles are only permitted on established and maintained roads. All motorized vehicles must be licensed.
8. **Trapping.** No trapping except by valid contract holders. Trapping rights are awarded through competitive bids. Call (302) 739-9912 for bidding information.
9. **Wildlife or Wildlife Area Violations.** To report wildlife or wildlife area violations or to contact an enforcement agent, call the Department Radio Room toll free at 1-800-523-3336.
10. **Deer and Upland Hunting.** See deer and upland hunting map for special regulations.
11. **Dove Hunting.** No person shall hunt doves on state wildlife areas in September while possessing shot other than approved non-toxic shot.
12. **Waterfowl.** See waterfowl maps for special regulations.
13. **Hours.** Entry limited from sunrise to sunset except to lawfully hunt and fish.
14. **Paintball Guns.** The discharge or possession of paintball guns on state wildlife areas is prohibited.
15. **Disabled Hunters.** A variety of hunting opportunities exist for disabled hunters in Delaware. State wildlife areas offer specialized blinds/stands and hunting locations to meet the needs of people with varying degrees of physical disabilities. Please see the Delaware Hunting & Trapping Guide for information.
16. **Dogs.** Dogs must be properly licensed and kept under control.
17. **Alcohol.** Persons under the influence of alcoholic beverages, liquors, or drugs or possessing and/or consuming alcoholic beverages, liquors, or drugs shall not be permitted to hunt and/or possess firearms on Division lands.
18. **Carcasses.** Disposal of dead animals or their parts on State Wildlife Areas is prohibited.

Please observe the courtesies of a good sportsman. Have a safe and enjoyable outing. For further information, contact the Wildlife Section, Division of Fish and Wildlife, Dover, Delaware at (302) 739-9912. Please note our new telephone number.